UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SHERMAN DIVISION

| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
| |) | Case No. 4:19-cv-00415 |
| V. |) | |
| |) | Filed Electronically |
| ALEXANDRU BITTNER, |) | |
| Defendant. |) | |

JOINT MOTION TO EXTEND THE DEADLINES TO RESPOND TO THE PARTIES RESPECTIVE MOTIONS FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Defendant, Alexandru Bittner and Plaintiff the United States of America (collectively, the "Parties"), by their undersigned counsel, respectfully move the Court to extend the deadlines for the Parties to respond to the Motions for Partial Summary Judgment filed by the Parties (ECF Nos. 28 & 29) and in support thereof, states as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Local Rule CV-7(e) a party has 21 days to file a response to a motion for summary judgement. Here, the Parties responses are currently required to be filed on April 2, 2020.
- 2. The Parties wishes to extend the deadline to respond by 15 days until April 17, 2020.
- 3. Many of the relief provisions congress recently passed in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act are delivered through the tax code (and administered by IRS). Defendant's counsel is focused on trying to keep up with clients' immediate need to understand how these relief provisions apply to their businesses, particularly decisions concerning workforce and payroll.

- 4. Further, due to various shelter in place orders, counsel for both Parties have transitioned to working from home, which has delayed preparation of their respective responses.
- 5. The request is not made for delay but to allow the Parties adequate time to effectively advocate for their respective clients.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully requests the Court to grant this Motion.

Dated: April 2, 2020 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on April 2, 2020, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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